

RIVERTON CITY COUNCIL

Minutes of the
Regular Council Meeting
Held February 19, 2013
6:30 PM

The regular meeting of the Riverton City Council was held on the above date and time, duly convened by Mayor Ronald O. Warpness at 6:30 p.m. City Council Members present were Todd Smith, Jonathan Faubion, Rich Gard, Eric Heiser, Mary Ellen Christensen, and John “Lars” Baker. Council Member Smith led the Pledge of Allegiance. Mayor Warpness declared a quorum of the Council.

City Staff present were City Administrator Steven M. Weaver, City Clerk/Director of Administrative Services Courtney V. Bohlender, Public Services Director Bill Urbigkit, Chief of Police Mike Broadhead, Community Development Director Sandy Luers, and City Secretary Kristin Watson.

Approval of the Agenda - Council Member Christensen moved, seconded by Council Member Smith to approve the agenda as presented. After some discussion, Council Member Christensen moved, seconded by Council Member Heiser to amend the agenda by moving item #13, Resolution No. 1270 Council Goals, before agenda item #9 on the agenda. Motion to the amendment passed unanimously. The original motion as amended passed unanimously.

Council Member Heiser moved, seconded by Council Member Baker to convene into executive session for the purpose of potential litigation. Motion passed unanimously at 6:35 p.m. Council Member Gard moved, seconded by Council Member Heiser to reconvene into regular session. Motion passed unanimously at 7:06 p.m.

Communication from the Floor – Lloyd Eckstein updated the Council on the food bank that he is managing. Bruno Sanchez addressed the Council regarding garbage and recycling issues.

Consent Agenda – City Clerk/Director of Administrative Services read the consent agenda items by title only: Approval of the Minutes – February 5, 2013 Regular Council Meeting; Approval of the Minutes – February 12, 2013 Council Work Session; Approval of the Minutes – February 19, 2013 Finance Committee Meeting; Approval of the Finance Committee Recommendations – February 19, 2013; Approval of the Municipal Court Report for the month of January 2013; Malt Beverage Permit Application: St. Margaret’s School – Dinner Dance Fundraiser @ St. Margaret’s Gym, March 9, 2013, 6pm – 9pm; Catering Permit Application: Back Bar – March 1, 2013, NRA Banquet @ Fairgrounds, 2 pm – 12 am. Finance Committee recommended approval of the bills to be paid in the amount of \$675,974.95, Elan credit card in the amount of \$4,575.93, manual checks in the amount of \$150.00, payroll/liabilities for 1/25/13 & 2/8/13 in the amount of \$285,293.18, for a total of \$965,994.06. Council Member Heiser moved, seconded by Council Member Christensen to approve the items read. Motion passed unanimously.

Public Hearing & Approval of Liquor License Renewals – Council Member Baker moved, seconded by Council Member Smith to open the public hearing. Motion passed unanimously. There being no one to speak, Council Member Heiser moved, seconded by Council Member Baker to close the public hearing. Motion passed unanimously. Council member Christensen moved, seconded by Council Member Smith to approve the liquor license renewals. After some discussion, motion passed unanimously.

Resolution No. 1270 – 2013 Council Goals – After some discussion, Council Member Heiser moved, seconded by Council Member Christensen to adopt Resolution No. 1270 – 2013 Council Goals. Motion passed unanimously.

Ordinance No. 13-002, Third & Final Reading – Amending Chapters 6.04 & 6.08, Allowing Chickens in City Limits – City Clerk/Director of Administrative Services read Ordinance No. 13-002 by title only. Council Member Smith moved, seconded by Council Member Baker to approve Ordinance No. 13-002 on third and final reading. Council Member Smith moved, seconded by Council Member Heiser to amend Section 1, Title 6 “Animals”, Chapter 6.04 “Animals Generally”, Section 6.04.005 “Definitions”, to add “domesticated” to the dogs and cats definition; and remove the statement “over 100 days old” from section 6.04.035 “Keeping Certain Animals B 1”, changing it to read “*Not more than twelve chickens shall be kept on the premises of any owner.*” After some discussion, the amendment passed with Council Member Christensen voting nay. A roll call vote was conducted and the motion as amended passed with Council Member Christensen voting nay.

Council Selection of Preferred Amenities for North Federal Rebuild Project – After some discussion, Council Member Baker moved, seconded by Council Member Heiser to pursue decorative lighting from Main Street to Sunset, providing necessary grant funding is found. Motion passed with Council Members Smith and Gard voting nay. Council Member Heiser moved, seconded by Council Member Faubion to pursue installing a water line for irrigation, providing necessary grant funding is found. Motion passed with Council Members Smith and Gard voting nay. Council Member Heiser moved, seconded by

Council Member Faubion to pursue widening the sidewalks for accessibility, providing necessary grant funding is found. Motion passed with Council Member Gard voting nay.

Resolution No. 1269 – FY 12-13 Budget Amendment – Council Member Heiser moved, seconded by Council Member Smith to approve Resolution No. 1269. Motion passed unanimously.

Solutions Committee Update – Chief of Police Mike Broadhead updated the Council on the Solutions Committee, stating that the committee has worked very diligently over the past year trying to come up with a solution to the alcohol abuse problem that Riverton is faced with.

Consideration of Fremont County Fair Parade Float – City Administrator Steven Weaver presented the Council with the idea of preparing a float for the 100th year anniversary of the Fremont County Fair Parade that will be held on July 27, 2013, at 10:00 a.m. It was the consensus of the Council to proceed with creating a float for the parade.

Council Committee Reports & Council Members' Roundtable – Council Members Gard, Heiser, Christensen, and Baker reported on the Chamber Board, Job Corps, Solutions Committee, and FCACC, respectively. Council Members expressed their appreciation to the Chief for providing the detailed report on the alcohol establishments. Council Member Faubion also thanks City staff for their explanation of the budget amendment process.

City Administrator's Report – City Administrator Steven M. Weaver reminded the Council and public of the WYDOT meeting that will be held on 2/26/13 in the Council Chambers regarding the South Federal reconstruction project. Mr. Weaver also commented on the WAM Convention sponsorships that are needed for the convention. Mr. Weaver thanked Council Member Christensen for the chicken t-shirt.

Mayor's Comments – Mayor Warpness commented on the passing of the chickens Ordinance, and the North Federal Rebuild Project.

Adjourn – There being no further business to come before the Council, Council Member Baker moved, seconded by Council Member Smith to adjourn the Regular Council Meeting at 9:00 p.m.

CITY OF RIVERTON, WYOMING

Ronald O. Warpness
Mayor

ATTEST:

Courtney V. Bohlender
City Clerk/Director of Administrative Services

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